

August 15 & 16, 2020 ~ Immaculate Conception Church



Dance, dance whenever you may be... I am the Life that will never die... I'll live in you and you'll live in me, for I am the Lord of the Dance.

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS SCHEDULE:

CELEBRATED IN IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
CHURCH HALL

SATURDAY, 4 PM & SUNDAY, 9 AM

TRUSTEES: Christina Angell & Ellen Scott

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Krissy Fauler, Dave Stagnitti, Mike Sanders &
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Virginia Cuddihy, Mike Brewster
Jerry D'Acchille, Rick Ferrannini, Karen
Kaufman, and the two Trustees

MUSIC MINISTRY: Richard Cherry

WORSHIP AND ENVIRONMENT: Lynne Mango

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Mass During the Epidemic

Those who wish to attend will be required to:

1. Make reservations (name, number of people, phone number) with your parish for what Mass you plan to attend. Either call **(518) 686-5064** or email **immconcept@roadrunner.com** or stop in our office. Please contact us Wednesday to Friday noon, prior to the weekend mass. Your reservation will be confirmed. Once capacity is met, no one else may enter.
2. Enter only by the blue door, on the north side of the church hall.
3. Remain socially distant - 6 feet apart - when entering, when in the hall, and when leaving. Please leave chairs in place.
4. Masks must be worn for the entire Mass.
5. Bring hand sanitizer and use it when entering and before receiving Communion.
6. Fill in the seats as instructed. Please remain seated for the entire Mass. Collection baskets are at the doors.
7. There is no congregational singing. Instrumental music will accompany the liturgy.
8. Communion will be brought to you. We are not sharing the Cup at this time.
9. Exit safely and respectfully from the doors of the hall.
10. Leave church property immediately.
11. Uplift each other in sacred prayer.
12. Restrooms are closed.

Home

Jesus says, "In my Father's house, there is room for you." Seating has not been a problem for our 4pm and 9am Masses. So, even if you forget to call and make reservations... or just did not get around to it... still come and pray with us. You are needed and welcome. Be safe and be well.

Liturgy Schedule:

Friday, August 14 - 4PM Mass:
Solemnity of the Assumption
(For all Our People)

Saturday, August 15 - 4PM Mass:
Johanna Hyde
(Requested by Art Hyde)
Christopher Haynes
(Requested by Jim and Patty Shaw)
Bernie Graney
(Requested by Betty Graney)

Sunday, August 16 - 9AM Mass:
Bernard Shufon
(Requested by Gloria Shufon)
Joseph Paterno, Jr.
(Requested by Isabel Custodio)
Joseph Paterno, Sr. & Dotty Paterno
(Requested by Isabel Custodio)

Saturday, August 22 - 4PM Mass
Mary Downey
(Requested by Family)
Anna Kirchoff
(Requested by Theresa Anderson)
Deborah Kennedy
(Requested by Helen Kennedy)

Sunday, August 23 - 9AM Mass
Bernard Shufon
(Requested by Gloria Shufon)
Dorothy Durocher
(Requested by Family)

Parish News

We can now take intentions for our weekend Masses. We will honor all past requests and scheduled times. Mass cards are also available at our office. Please remember all our people, all our intentions are always remembered in the heart of God.

Home Visits

Fr. Tom Zelker is now allowed to share Eucharist with the sick and homebound. Safety protocols must still be observed. If you know of someone unable to get out, please call Fr. Tom Zelker.

Mass Food Distribution

Free food (meats, veggies, dairy, fruits) for anybody. Wednesday, August 26th - 10AM-Noon - HFCS Parking Lot. Sponsored by Catholic Charities

Going Off to College

Whether away, virtual, at home, or any other clever mode of education... we'd like to keep in touch... please send our office your Post Office address and e-mail address. Study well, be very safe, and have fun.



Peace Cranes

To help support our Food Pantry, we are joining in their Crane Project. Origami paper cranes are being fashioned to inspire us all to seek peace among all people and strive to live in harmony with all. They will grace our Rectory and Church Hall. If you can help, stop in at our office.

Kai Jones skillfully crafts cranes of peace for our worship space.



Any harvest you wish to share may be brought to our Food Pantry, Church, or the Rectory. And may our lives bring a harvest rich in justice and peace to the whole world.



An August Morning Prayer

I bow before you, my hidden but beloved God, as I begin this day. An alarm rings in my heart to awaken me to the fact that I am a pilgrim who travels a sacred path. I answer that call to mindfulness, as I prepare to enter into silent prayer. I join myself with all who are in prayer at this sacred hour when the earth once again faces its source of life, the sun. I now turn fully to face you, O God, the source of the universe and of my life, as I enter into silence.

With fidelity I have tried to still my restless heart in you, the divine source of all I am. May this effort bear fruit by my living more fully in the present moment this day. I join my voice to all the awakening sounds of the earth at this hour, as I pray.

This summer day is growing warmer as we turn to face the fullness of our daystar, the sun. Plants, animals and we humanfolk are all solar-powered in the marvel of your clever creation. May this morning prayer give me the energy to act at all times this day with love and kindness. May I treat each person and each living being as a brother or sister, as a member of your sacred family.

May the business of this day never eclipse my real work as a pilgrim on the sacred path. Open my eyes and ears to the miracles you have hidden along my path this day. Let my mind find its joy in the present moment, the only place where you dwell.

I bow before you, Divine Father, Holy Mother, Eternal Source of my existence. Your heart is my home, from you I have come and to you I journey this day. **Amen.**

These weeks, we solemnly remember the end of World War II with the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on August 6 & 9, 1945, the announcement of surrender on August 15 and the formal signing of Japan's surrender to the Allies on September 2, 1945. President Truman reminded the Nation that we were fighting for peace throughout the world. Let us not forget our history and honor and remember all the people killed from 1939-1945... including our soldiers and civilians, the victims of the Death Camps, the nameless innocents, and the people killed in by the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. May God's Holy Peace flourish within and among us all.



- Faith Formation News -

As part of our Family based focus these are **This weeks and Next weeks** readings so you and your family can think about those lessons.

Readings for Sunday August 16
1st Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7
2nd Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32
Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

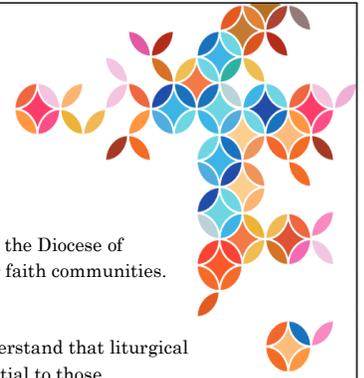
Readings for Sunday August 23
1st Reading: Isaiah 22:19-23
2nd Reading: Romans 11:33-36
Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

Here is this weeks YouTube video that you can share and discuss with your family. Go to YouTube and search for the following:
Believing in a God Who Allows Evil



“We know that God makes all things work together for the good of those who have been called according to his decree.”

Romans 8:28



Our faith has never felt more meaningful, our prayer has never been more purposeful, and our role in contributing to the greater good is clear.

Our Diocese is a microcosm of the world, with 126 diocese parishes benefiting from the resources provided by our diocesan pastoral center.

Giving is at the foundation of our responsibility as a disciple of Jesus Christ. Your Diocesan Appeal gift will impact the spiritual life of Catholics throughout our 14-county area.

Through your gift, in participating with your parish and the Diocese of Albany, we will be able to continue to serve you and our faith communities.

Prayer and Worship

As we are called to the practice of faith at home, we understand that liturgical components and traditions are complex, as well as essential to those experiences that propel us to greater spiritual life. Together, we are discovering and providing innovative tools to serve our parish communities.

Ministries

The daily life of the Church is found through the growth and expansion of universities that inspire the many opportunities for our role as disciples. These ministries include: marriage & family life, catechist formation, pastoral care, and youth/young adult programs to name just a few.

Perpetuation of the Faith

Emphasis on ensuring generations of devoted Catholics carry the legacy of our faith through faith formation programs, Catholic schooling, and vocations.

It is our collective responsibility to ensure our parishes and the Diocese as a whole are robust in our ability to meet those and other needs of our faith community. Together, we empower individuals and families toward discipleship.



**For we
walk by faith,
not by sight.**

The Diocesan Appeal, July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

On your gift pledge, please designate **Immaculate Conception** for your gift, or if you have another special parish, feel free to write that name in. Our Parish goal this year is: **\$22,009.00**. This amount is no longer an assessment; it is simply our Parish goal.

There have been concerns regarding receipt of statements for the Re-Ignite our Faith Campaign for the Building Repairs for our church. We have contacted the Re-Ignite our Faith office and they have assured us that statements are going out, but instead of monthly they are now quarterly statements and a form is included to fill out and return to their payment processing center with the payment. They also told us that if parishioners want to send in payments if they have not received statements those payments can be sent to Re-Ignite our Faith, 40 North Main Ave, Albany, NY 12203. Below is a form that can be used that will include all the information to help with processing payments sent directly to the Re-Ignite our Faith office. Thank you for helping us with our campaign.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

- **PERSONAL CHECK** payable to: Re-Igniting our Faith Foundation, Inc. Using the form below mail to Re-Igniting our Faith Foundation, 40 North Main Ave., Albany, NY 12203.
- **BANK CHECK** payable to Re-Igniting our Faith Foundation, Inc and mail to Re-Igniting our Faith Foundation, 40 North Main Ave., Albany, NY 12203 with donor name and account #. *Ask your bank about setting up recurring payments.*
- **CREDIT CARD – VISA, Master Card or American Express** - On the RCDA secure website at DONATE.RE-IGNITINGOURFAITH.ORG – For one-time payments OR set up recurring payments.

**Send Payments to:
Re-Igniting our Faith
40 North Main Ave
Albany, NY 12203**

Payment Amount _____

On Behalf of Immaculate Conception Church, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090

Name _____

Address _____

Address _____

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YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

August 8 & 9, 2020

Regular Offertory - \$3,137.00
Monthly E-Transfer - \$2,416.00
Total Offertory \$5,553.00

Attendance:

Saturday, August 8 - 51

Sunday, August 9 - 50

Total - 101

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Alexander Bravo, Annette Nealon, Beverly James, Bill Ellis, Caroline Bachorz, Cassandra Percy, Cheryl McLaughlin, Corrine Philpott, Dave Hanselman, Dawn Myers, Dr. Marcus Martinez, Felicia Martelle, Fr. Joe Manerowski, Gloria Parker, Hanna Stevens, Jean Shaw, Jeff Babson, Judy Brownell, Judy Quackenbush, Karen Thomas, Keith Buck, Lenny Darosa, Matt Waytkus, Neil Watykus, Pat Carknard, Ronda Sharpe, Sally Williams, Sandy McCart, Veronica Hoag, and all those who are ill or hurting. Those who have been on the prayer list for quite some time will still be prayed for, but will not appear in the bulletin. If you are in need of prayer for yourself or someone else, please call Margaret O'Malley at 686-7835.



HACA Food Pantry will be open normal hours, however, they will give out pre-packaged bags at the door to one family at a time. All normal items will be included. Additional Items Needed: **Ramen noodles, oatmeal, canned dinners (spaghetti, chili, stew), pancake mix, rice/pasta boxed mixes (Rice a Roni), shampoo, toothpaste and brushes, and feminine hygiene items.**

Food Pantry Volunteers...We are looking for volunteers to help. For information and training, contact Dianne Hosterman at 686-5310.



**VOLUNTEER!
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WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

- ♦ Wednesday mornings at 10 AM: Bulletin proofreaders. **Call the office.**
- ♦ Sunday morning: Collection Counters. **Call the office.**
- ♦ Lectors (readers) at Mass: **See Gloria Shufon, or call the office, 686-5064.**

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Our automatic withdrawal system is working well. This may be an easy way for you to support our parish. Please contact our office for more information.